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Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR RCE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 132(b)**

**AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME ON APRIL 7, 2004**

**I. INTRODUCTION/SUBMISSION**

Applicants respectfully request continued examination of the above referenced application pursuant to 37 CFR §132(b). Prosecution on the above referenced application is closed, as the application is under final rejection. Applicants are submitting the fee required pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17(e) and making the following submission. Please charge any required fees to deposit account 02-2334.

The application presently stands rejected from the final rejection of December 19, 2003. Applicants respectfully respond as follows: Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time, the fee for which is to be charged to deposit account 02-2334, and request entry of the following response.